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**A Report of Agricultural Products**

*Produced in*

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY  
DURING 1949**

*County Department of Agriculture*

THOMAS CHALMERS, Commissioner

*Compiled By J. B. GOTTFRIED*

*Deputy Agricultural Commissioner*

ANIMAL INDUSTRY	Animals	Yield	Valuation 1949	Valuation 1948
Beef Cattle	45,600		\$10,227,300	\$10,713,800
Chickens, Eggs	141,900	1,986,800 doz.	1,013,300	1,315,100
Meats	575,000	1,895,600 lbs.	587,600	271,900
Cows (Butterfat)	17,500	2,502,500 lbs. b. f.	2,686,000	2,889,900
Calves (Veal)	4,500		193,500	367,200
Goats (Butterfat)		18,000 lbs. b. f.	34,900	35,600
Hogs	4,270		179,300	173,100
Sheep	1,800		39,800	37,500
(Wool)			2,500	2,200
Turkeys, Meats	184,200	3,127,900 lbs.	1,407,600	1,137,200
Eggs		800,000	280,000	229,500
Misc. (Horses, etc.)			50,000	50,000
Bees	3,293 colonies	36 tons	7,200	5,200
			<u>\$16,709,000</u>	<u>\$17,228,200</u>

FIELD CROPS	Acreage	Yield	Valuation 1949	Valuation 1948
Alfalfa	4,800	18,000 tons	\$ 522,000	\$ 563,500
Beans				
Small Whites		28,100 cwt.	224,800	306,900
Pinks		8,400 cwt.	71,400	95,000
Miscellaneous		8,900 cwt.	62,300	14,400
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,700</b>	<b>45,400 cwt.</b>	<b>\$ 358,500</b>	<b>\$ 416,300</b>
 Corn (Field)	 250	 1,000 cwt.	 \$ 2,900	 \$ 6,200
Grain				
Barley	32,700	523,200 cwt.	1,228,800	1,608,300
Oats	8,900	97,900 cwt.	254,500	406,000
Wheat*	129,700	657,000 cwt.	2,233,600	1,621,500
Hay	45,000	86,600 tons	1,991,800	2,447,200
Insurance			340,300	600,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>216,300</b>		<b>\$ 6,049,000</b>	<b>\$ 6,683,000</b>
 Potatoes	 2,770	 631,500 cwt.	 \$ 1,768,200	 \$ 1,828,800
Sugar Beets	1,502	28,817 tons	371,500	383,800
Vegetable & Flower Seeds	650		227,500	292,500
Miscellaneous	6,000		150,000	200,000
<b>TOTAL of Field Crops</b>	<b>235,972</b>		<b>\$ 9,449,600</b>	<b>\$10,374,100</b>

\*Seeded Acreage—Approximately 11,000 acres of this total were abandoned.

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	Acreage	Yield Tons	Valuation 1949	Valuation 1948
Almonds -----	10,707	1,490	\$ 506,600	\$ 148,200
Apples -----	229	330	10,500	12,000
Apricots -----	172	320	25,600	31,200
Grapes -----	718	640	26,200	43,200
Pears -----	369	450	22,500	22,800
Walnuts -----	594	430	141,900	161,000
Miscellaneous -----	216	60	7,800	12,000
<b>TOTAL -----</b>	<b>13,005</b>	<b>3,720</b>	<b>\$ 741,100</b>	<b>\$ 430,400</b>

VEGETABLE CROPS	Acreage	Yield	Valuation 1949	Valuation 1948
Artichokes -----	443	53,600 bx.	\$ 227,800	\$ 267,900
Beans (Green lima processing) --	120	3,800 cwt.	34,200	
Broccoli -----	1,615	177,600 cr.	657,100	662,400
Brussels Sprouts -----	67	18,800 bx.	75,200	44,100
Cabbage -----	85	12,200 cwt	18,300	70,400
Carrots -----	167	31,700 cr.	90,300	238,200
Cauliflower -----	2,591	829,100 cr.	953,500	1,133,900
Celery -----	1,093	904,900 cr.	1,628,800	1,499,800
Cucumbers -----	93	40,500 lgs.	40,500	45,700
Lettuce -----	3,348	615,500 cr.	1,781,000	1,681,400
Peas (Green)* -----	1,969	54,200 cwt.	379,400	59,200
Romaine -----	267	109,500 cr.	328,500	256,100
Spinach (canning) -----	35	2,500 cwt.	3,000	
Squash -----	73	28,800 lgs.	28,800	39,000
Squash (winter) -----	55	220 ton	11,000	8,000
String Beans -----	484	34,700 cwt.	312,300	296,100
Tomatoes -----	411	69,900 lgs.	125,800	193,300
Mixed Vegetables -----	398	400 cars	190,000	215,000
<b>TOTAL -----</b>	<b>13,314</b>		<b>\$ 6,889,500</b>	<b>\$ 6,710,500</b>

\*Acres Harvested

<b>GRAND TOTAL of All</b>				
<i>Agricultural Products</i> -----	262,291		\$33,789,200	\$34,743,200

**COMPARISON OF THE VALUATIONS OF THE FOUR MAJOR GROUPS DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS:**

	Animal Industry	Field Crops	Fruit & Nut Crops	Vegetable Crops	Total Valuations
1940 -----	\$ 5,373,500	\$ 3,201,900	\$ 540,900	\$ 2,803,100	\$11,919,400
1941 -----	7,329,400	4,535,800	1,385,000	3,111,300	16,361,500
1942 -----	8,819,400	6,176,700	1,234,100	3,716,600	19,946,800
1943 -----	9,966,300	8,026,100	1,632,000	5,316,000	24,940,400
1944 -----	9,700,400	7,602,100	2,424,700	6,488,300	26,215,500
1945 -----	9,540,600	7,536,500	1,330,180	6,344,800	24,752,080
1946 -----	11,741,500	9,226,600	1,355,000	6,972,400	29,295,500
1947 -----	15,326,900	11,659,700	1,359,200	7,339,200	35,685,000
1948 -----	17,228,200	10,374,100	430,400	6,710,500	34,743,200
1949 -----	16,709,000	9,449,600	741,100	6,889,500	33,789,200